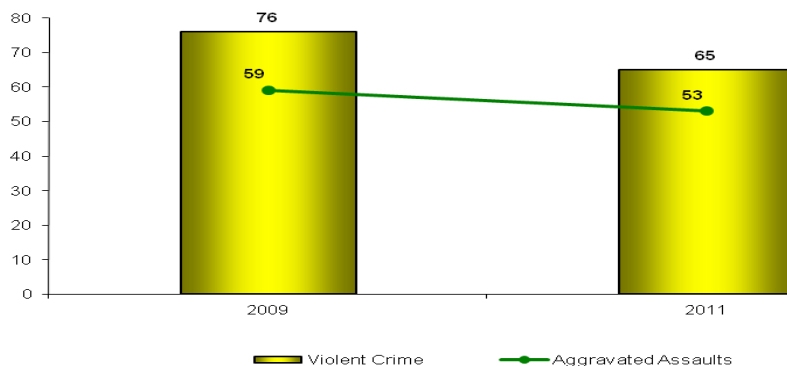


## Kent County

### *Working to reduce violent crime in Maryland*

Governor O'Malley's primary concern for the State of Maryland is to provide safety for its citizens. To date, Maryland has the lowest homicide and violent crime rates ever reported in the state. However, the real story can be told at the local level where the difficult work of addressing violent crime and supporting victims is done every day. Over the last 5 years, through unprecedented federal, state, and local law enforcement collaboration, Kent County has seen a 2.6% reduction in total crime and a significant 14.5% reduction in violent crime. In addition, there have been significant reductions in aggravated assaults (-10.2%) and larceny/thefts. 16.1%).

Kent County Crime Trends 2006 - 2011



### KENT COUNTY MAKES AN IMPACT:

Now more than ever before, crime reduction depends on federal, state, and local collaboration. Real-time information sharing, more effective crime analysis, new technology, the strategic targeting of violent offenders, and improved community resources all contributed to Kent County's success.

Governor O'Malley's Office of Crime Control and Prevention is currently funding 5 grants in Kent County totaling \$435,260. As a result, Kent County has been able to implement successful crime fighting strategies such as:

- **Sex Offender Monitoring** – The Kent County Monitoring Support/Training Program tracks the compliance of local sex offenders who are required to register/re-register with the Maryland Sex Offender Registry. The program tracks the semi-annual registration of all county sex offenders and supports home visits to verify the accuracy of the information obtained at registration.

### Key Initiatives

- Heightened Supervision of Violent Offenders
- CompStat on Demand
- Crime Analysis
- Crime Mapping
- Crime Mapping and Analysis Program
- Victim Services
- Protective Order Entry/Service
- Sex Offender Monitoring

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#### **KENT COUNTY MAKES AN IMPACT:**

- **Protective Order Entry/Service** - The Kent County Sheriff's Office Protective Order Entry/Service program supports the court mandates for timely entry and service of exparte/protective orders. The program enables the Sheriff's Office to designate an Administrative Assistant to perform daily data entry functions and maintain a database for reporting purposes.
- **Victim Services** - The Kent County Sheriff's Office Victim/Witness Services County program provides critical support to the county's victims of violence. This program addresses victims' needs, provides education on their rights, connects them to appropriate resources, and supports them in the judiciary if they file charges. The program support victims, develops procedures to support women under Jane Doe, and implements a program evaluation component.
- **Crime Mapping and Analysis Program** – Washington College's Crime Mapping and Analysis program provides timely mapping and analysis of statewide criminal justice data from a variety of state and local sources. The College's Geographic Information System (GIS) program supports state and local criminal justice agencies with mapping on demand, technical support, and various training programs for crime analysts. This project has been funded since 2008 and Washington College continues to support GOCCP and criminal justice stakeholders with these services.

*"Kent County's successful record on fighting crime is rooted in its responsiveness to community concerns. The county's outreach to young people and to victims demonstrates concern for the people of the county. But it also ensures the county remains a safe and secure place in which to live."*

Governor Martin O'Malley

